

Maine Revised Statutes
Title 20-A: EDUCATION
Chapter 223: HEALTH, NUTRITION AND SAFETY

§6301. STUDENT HEALTH

The following provisions apply to student health. [1981, c. 693, §§5, 8 (NEW).]

1. Duty of teacher. A teacher who has reason to believe that a student is a public health threat as a result of being infested with parasites, or having a communicable disease of the skin, mouth or eyes, shall inform the superintendent.

[1989, c. 414, §9 (RPR) .]

2. Duty of superintendent. A superintendent informed by a teacher under subsection 1 may:

A. Inform the student's parent:

(1) To cleanse the clothing and bodies of their children; and

(2) To furnish their children with the required home or medical treatment for the relief of their trouble so defined in subsection 1; [1983, c. 661, §4 (AMD).]

B. Exclude the student from the public schools until the student is no longer a public health threat; and [1989, c. 414, §10 (AMD).]

C. Exclude the student from public school as soon as safe and proper transportation home is available. [1983, c. 661, §4 (NEW).]

[1989, c. 414, §10 (AMD) .]

3. Duty of parent. A parent informed by a superintendent under subsection 2 shall promptly do what is reasonably necessary to ensure that the student is no longer offensive or dangerous.

[1981, c. 693, §§5, 8 (NEW) .]

4. Penalty. Any parent who fails to comply with subsection 3 shall be fined not more than \$5 for the first offense or \$10 for subsequent offenses.

[1981, c. 693, §§5, 8 (NEW) .]

5. Exclusion.

[1983, c. 661, §5 (RP) .]

5-A. Notification. The superintendent shall cause notice of the communicable disease to be given to the Department of Health and Human Services, in accordance with the requirements of Title 22, chapters 250 and 251, and rules issued under those chapters.

[2007, c. 598, §1 (AMD) .]

6. Authority and duties of the Department of Health and Human Services. The Department of Health and Human Services has the authority and duties prescribed in Title 22, chapters 250 and 251 with respect to the control of notifiable diseases and conditions and communicable diseases.

[2007, c. 598, §2 (AMD) .]

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